

Comment Sheet#1

## Comment Sheet

Route 101 Widening

Public Hearing

Santa Rosa Jr. High School

Wednesday, November 18, 1998

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| We the residents of the southern part of Santa Rosa Ave feel the an additional safety hardship will fall to us due to the construction on Hwy 101. It is not that we disagree with Hwy 101 construction, it is the additional traffic that will be put upon Santa Rosa Ave. An independent study shows an increase of 40% or 1 car every 2.3 seconds. The current conditions are unsafe as it is to our families. We the residents of this area feel that Caltrans & Sonoma County should work some kind of mitigation concerning the use of Santa Rosa Ave. |
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| 1-A | The Traffic Analysis Report prepared for the Committee for a Better Santa Rosa by TJKM Transportation Consultants indicates a 40% increase in traffic will occur on the Santa Rosa Avenue off-ramp during construction. The report states that the freeway would have reduced 10-foot lanes. The report also states that as a result of the reduction, there will be a major diversion of traffic from the freeway, and all traffic would be diverted off of the Santa Rosa off-ramp. |
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Except for the hours specified in lane closure charts, the freeway would have two 11-foot traffic lanes maintained in each direction throughout construction. Contrary to the assumptions stated in the TJKM report, Caltrans does not plan to detour traffic onto Santa Rosa Avenue during construction. Only a temporary, non-mandatory traffic diversion would occur, and this minor diversion would not necessarily mean all traffic would be diverted off of the northbound Santa Rosa Avenue off-ramp.

Short term construction activities may appear inconvenient to the local public; however, the widening of Route 101 would in the long run, more likely reduce local street traffic growth rather than contribute to it. Additionally, the effects of construction through this corridor will be temporary in nature.